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**Fontana Man Sentenced to 40 Years to Life  
for Attempting to Kill CHP Officer**

A Fontana man has admitted that he tried to kill a California Highway Patrol officer in 2015 during a traffic stop in West Covina, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

John Alfred Garcia, 32, pleaded guilty yesterday to one count of attempted murder of a peace officer in case KA110677.

Garcia also admitted discharging a semiautomatic shotgun causing great bodily injury.

The defendant was immediately sentenced to 40 years to life in state prison.

Deputy District Attorneys Jack Garden and Robert Serna of the Crimes Against Peace Officers Section prosecuted the case.

On Sept. 11, 2015, a CHP officer attempted to pull over Garcia who was driving an SUV in West Covina. After the officer approached, a gun battle ensued, resulting in serious injuries to the officer.

After the shooting, a high-speed chase began and ended later in Fontana when Garcia's vehicle ran out of gas. The defendant had been wounded in the shootout with CHP officers in West Covina and was taken to a hospital.

The case was investigated by the CHP.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice and the safeguarding of crime victims' rights.